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Process for the preparation of a highly pure pharmaceutical

intermediate, 4-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)- α , α - dimethylphenylacetic

acid

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Examiner

Hector M Reyes

October 10, 2004

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please find our response to the first office action on this application. The response consists of this cover page, and the following items on separate pages:

- A Amendments to the Claims
- B. Remarks

Sincerely,

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